



As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **DECENTRALIZED AUTONOMOUS CONTROL FOR COMPLEX FLUID DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS**

the specification of which:

(check one)      ☐ is attached hereto  
☒ was filed on 12/16/03 as Application Serial No. 10/737,384  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

### Prior Foreign Application(s)

Application No.

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Filing Date

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Application No.

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Filing Date

**60/433,892**

U.S.

**December 16, 2002**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, U.S.C., § 120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

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